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SUBJ: USE OF "LAND BERLIN" IN AUSTRIAN/FRG TREATY

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1. AT EARLY EVENING MEETING MAY 30 POLCOUNS REVIEWED WITH MFA CHEF DE CABINET HINTERREGER (HEAD OF POLITICAL DEPARTMENT AMB STEINER IN MOSCOW WITH KREISKY) SUBSTANCE OF US VIEWS ON THE USE OF "LAND BERLIN" FORMULATION IN TREATIES, AS SET FORTH IN REFTELS. HINTERREGER GIVEN COPY OF TEXT OF US POSTION (REFTEL B) ALONG WITH CAVEAT ON PENDING FINAL UK AND FR. CLEARANCES AND WITH REQUEST THAT SUBSTANCE OF POSITION BE FORWARDED TO CHANCELLOR KREISKY IN MOSCOW.

2. HINTEREGGER INDICATED THAT ISSUE WAS RECENTLY RAISED WITH GOA FOR FIRST TIME BY SOVIET CHARGE IN VIENNA WHO CITED "LAND BERLIN" CLAUSE IN RECENTLY NEGOTIATED AUSTRIAN - FRG TREATY ON ENVIRONMENTAL COOPERATION AS BASIS FOR SOVIET OBJECTION. AUSTRIANS ARE AT A LOSS TO EXPLAIN TIMING OF SOVIET OBJECTION AND SPECUALTE THAT SOVIET CHARGE HERE, WHO

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IS OLD BERLIN HAND, MAY HAVE BEEN TRYING TO MAKE POINTS WITH

MOSCOW WITH SUGGESTION OF LEANING A BIT ON AUSTRIANS OVER ISSUE. IN ANY CASE, AUSTRIANS REPORTEDLY GAVE NON-COMMITTAL RESPONSE TO CHARGE AND CONTACTED US, UK, FR. AND FRG FOR THEIR VIEWS.

3. HINTEREGGER WENT ON THAT MFA WOULD FORWARD ON PRIORITY BASIS SUBSTANCE OF SUG POSITION TO KREISKY IN MOSCOW WHERE ISSUE REPORTEDLY HAS NOT BEEN RAISED THUS FAR. IN CONCLUSION, HE OBSERVED THAT STATEMENT SHOULD PROVE "VERY USEFUL" TO AUSTRIANS, SHOULD ITEM COME UP.

4. FOLLOWING MEETING AT FOREIGN OFFICE, WE TOLD HINTEREGGER,

ON BASIS SUBSEQUENT EMBASSY BONN TELCON TO EMBASSY VIENNA, THAT STATEMENT HAS NOW RECEIVED FINAL CLEARANCES UK AND FR. FOREIGN OFFICES. HUMES

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